

In the Claims

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1.-7. (Cancelled.)

8. (New) A USB interface in which an electrical/electronic product is connected to a general peripheral device by transmitting and receiving a USB signal, comprising:

a USB connector to transmit and receive the USB signal between the USB interface and the electrical/electronic product,

a conversion circuit to convert the USB signal into an external interface signal that is transmitted to and received from the general peripheral device,

a selector connected between said USB connector and said conversion circuit and responsive to a status signal;

at least one external interface connector for transmitting and receiving a converted USB signal between the general peripheral device and the USB interface, and

at least one expansion connector to connect the USB signal to at least one other USB interface, said at least one other USB interface providing said status signal to said selector, and in response thereto, said selector multiplexing said USB signal between the conversion circuit and the at least one other USB interface.

9. (New) The USB interface according to claim 8, wherein the at least one external interface connector is a parallel interface.

10. (New) The USB interface according to claim 8, wherein the at least one external interface connector is a PS/2 interface.

11. (New) The USB interface according to claim 8, wherein the at least one external interface connector is a LAN interface.

12. (New) A USB interface device in which an electrical/electronic product is connected to a general peripheral device and a USB peripheral device by transmitting and receiving a USB signal, comprising:

1) at least one first USB interface and at least one second USB interface each being modular units inter-connectable to each other,

2) said first USB interface comprising:

a) a first USB connector to transmit and receive the USB signal between the electrical/electronic product and the first USB interfaces,

b) an first expansion connector for connecting said first USB interface to said second USB interface;

c) a first external interface connector for transmitting and receiving between the general peripheral device and the first USB interface,

d) a conversion circuit to convert the USB signal into an external interface signal that is transmitted to and received from the general peripheral device; and

e) a selector connected between said USB connector and said conversion circuit for multiplexing said USB signal between said conversion circuit and said first expansion connector;

3) said second USB interface comprising:

a) a second USB connector to transmit and receive the USB signal between the electrical/electronic product and the second USB interfaces,

b) an second expansion connector for connecting said second USB interface to said first USB interface;

c) a second external interface connector for transmitting and receiving between the USB peripheral device and the second USB interface, and

d) a hub to transmit the USB signal to said second external interface connector and to said second expansion connector for feeding said USB signal to said conversion circuit of said first USB interface.